

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Ralph L. Goggin was in Tonia on Wednesday.

Paul Cash was a Mt. Pleasant visitor Tuesday.

You will find the best bread in Butter Cup wrappers.

Fresh eggs at the Wolverine Dairy.—advertisement 10-3w

Mr. and Mrs. Glenan are in Grand Rapids for a few days.

Buy your butter at the Wolverine Dairy.—advertisement 10-3

Mayor Charles R. Murphy was in Saginaw on business yesterday.

V. C. Calkins was a Grand Rapids visitor the latter part of last week.

Phil Lewis and John Holmes are resorting at Crystal for a few days.

Fresh Cottage Cheese at the Wolverine Dairy.—advertisement 10-3w

Get your auto license plates of Sharrar & Watson, Alma, Mich.—781

Butter churned fresh daily at the Wolverine Dairy.—advertisement 10-3

If you miss the Cushing & Benedict sale, you will regret it.—advertisement

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Deitz spent the week end visiting with relatives at Ewart.

Your money will go far if you spend it at Cushing & Benedict's.—advertisement

Mrs. Gerald Sawyer is in Grand Rapids visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cisher.

We can do it if it is in the printing line. The Alma Record.—advertisement 10-3w

Coming—Denman Thompson's "Old Homestead" with New York cast.—advertisement

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Lawler of Battle Creek visited at the home of William H. Snelk.

If it is something to be printed, we can print it. The Alma Record.—advertisement 10-3w

Mrs. C. H. Goggin and children spent the first of the week in Lansing visiting relatives.

Miss Ura Gage of South Lyons is visiting with her sister, Mrs. H. S. Balczek, for a short time.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Tucker and Mr. and Mrs. Bart Struble were in Saginaw on business Friday.

Mrs. Ethel Lewis left Wednesday afternoon for Crystal where she will remain until Saturday night.

We would be pleased to show you samples of Cushman coal. Brown-Ward Co., phone 27.—60c

Fred Grover has accepted a position in a drug store at Carson City, and left for that place a few days ago.

Mrs. Day Alverson and daughter of Grand Rapids spent Wednesday and Thursday, guests of E. H. Wolfe and family.

If you want full value for your dollars your sense will take you to the Cushing & Benedict store.—advertisement

Roy Campbell, athletic director at Alma College, and Homer Dunham were in Carson City on business Monday evening.

Romulus Clark of St. Louis, new prosecuting attorney of Gratiot county, was in the city for a few hours on business Tuesday.

Watch Robinson's shoe window on State street for those chautauqua week bargains in Women's and Children's shoes.—advertisement

During the past week 26 jobs have been procured by the employment bureau of the Alma Chamber of Commerce, for men of the city.

Miss Hazel Shankel, who has been attending the Kalamazoo assembly as a delegate from the Baptist church of this city, has returned to her home here.

Dr. Lehner and Charles H. Goggin were among the half hundred baseball fans from this vicinity who attended the Briscoe-Owosso game at Owosso on Thursday.

Miss Nell Stoughton of Duluth, Minn., who has been spending the summer here, leaves Saturday for Chicago where she will take a course in dancing before returning to Duluth for the school year.

The Gratiot County Association of the Maccabees will meet in Mt. Pleasant on August 11. All L. O. T. M. members are invited and urged to be present. All members are requested to take lunch basket.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Robinson of Minneapolis, returned to their home Wednesday, after spending ten days in Alma visiting at the home of the former's sister, Mrs. L. M. McKenzie, and family of Woodworth avenue.

Judge Haight and John Moore of Lansing and John Spitzley of Westphalia are touring through the country calling in every town between Lansing and Midland in the interests of the Michigan Northern Railroad.

Mayor Charles R. Murphy expects to leave with Mrs. Murphy for a two week vacation trip the latter part of the week. They expect to tour north through the lower peninsula, then into upper Michigan, into Minnesota, Wisconsin and Illinois.

Mrs. A. R. Stealy and son, Dr. Stanley Stealy, and daughter, Ruth, of Charlotte, and L. M. Sprague of the Lucking law firm of Detroit, and his wife, visited at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Landis and Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Gongwer Tuesday.

Miss Olive Smith of Redlands, Cal., spent Friday night of last week visiting friends, returning to Kalamazoo to finish her summer school and expects to leave there Thursday night of this week for her home in Redlands where she will teach the coming year.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Fred Croziers of Detroit spent the past week with his mother, Mrs. E. Crozier, in Arcadia township. Saturday her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Palmer of Delton, came for the week end. Sunday her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Clark and sons, Wm. and Ray, of near Palo, spent the day with her.

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CHANGES MADE IN SCHOOL LAW

IMPORTANT CHANGES IN THE SCHOOL LAWS GIVE PROMISE OF BETTER CONDITIONS.

A number of changes in the Michigan school laws was made by the last legislature. The amended statutes have raised the standards of public education.

Among the more important changes is the amendment by which virtually every child in the state is assured a nine months' school year, this being the minimum term under the new law for districts having an assessed valuation exceeding \$75,000. Districts having an assessed valuation of \$30,000 to \$75,000 must have eight months of school and those of less than \$30,000 valuation and fewer than thirty children in census but seven months. Each one room school having nine months school and whose rate of taxation is \$12 or more per thousand will receive \$200 per year state aid.

There also has been a change in the school census, the county school superintendents now being required to take the census in towns of less than 3,000 fifteen days previous to June 1st and to file a verified list before the third Monday in June. This will enable a thorough check of the census before the fall school term opens. Starting in September, the transfer system, as is used in Detroit, will be adopted throughout the state.

Other important changes are the bringing of all special act township districts under the general law, and that permitting bonds to be levied 15 per cent of value, and over a period of thirty years.

Other changes in the school law are:

The law permitting the consolidation of rural schools was changed in line with the experience of other states and today we have perhaps the best consolidated school law in the United States. The law as revised reads: Whenever 25 per cent of the school electors of each of three or more contiguous districts petition for the right to vote on consolidation, they may vote as a single unit. The machinery is simplified and all matters of friction may be carried by appeals to the state department of public instruction. The state gives aid to these districts on a basis of \$1,000 per school and \$100 per vehicle used in transportation.

School districts are now being permitted to build and furnish teachers' homes. This answers a real demand in the northern country and also in the consolidated school districts.

School officers are given the right to raise money by taxation to place school houses in safe and sanitary condition.

By 1925, all persons entering the teaching profession in Michigan must have at least one year of professional training above the four-year high school course. This is an act of great importance.

An act was passed requiring children placed in boarding homes to be placed on the school census list in the district where the boarding home is established, and these children are thus entitled to attend school in that district. This does away entirely with the difficulty regarding the right of these children to attend school and re-

lieves the state of a vexatious problem.

The amount of tuition which a district must pay to high schools has been increased from \$25 to actual cost up to \$60.

BONUS APPLICATIONS

Bonus applications for soldiers who have a certificate of discharge in lieu of lost discharge papers have been procured and can now be obtained at the Chamber of Commerce offices in the city hall, by all former service men who are in need of this form of application.

NOTICE

I hereby give notice to the public that I have severed all connections with the Alma Candy Co., and assume no responsibility for the collections of debts of said concern.

Signed: J. C. FALL

8-4-29

Record is Awarded Official Proceedings

The Alma Record is again to be designated as the official city publication, having been awarded the contract for the publication of the official proceedings of the city commission and the publication of all legal notices for the city.

The bid of The Record, submitted to the city commission for this work, was the low bid for the city's official printing by \$122.01, the item in the bid relating to the publication of the commission proceedings being the lowest that the city has ever received, which speaks well for the desire of The Record, not only to give its readers everything that they should have in relation to the official acts of the city, but of its desire to serve the city as a whole.

It has always been one of the customs of The Record to publish stories on the more important acts of the city commission. Especially has this been true in regard to bond issues and other such important matters relating to the welfare of the city. In such cases The Record has spared neither time or space in boosting for municipal improvements that it believed the city had need for. Stories of this nature will be continued in the future, and it is the hope of The Record that it may continue to give a first class service to the community that it hopes to serve in this respect.



Local Dealers' Advice Is Often Helpful

Your local merchants know their goods and are always glad and willing to let you profit by their knowledge when you go to them for merchandise.

When you are undecided between two articles—when you don't know which is best for your needs—your local dealer's advice may make your problem an easy one.

But when you buy by "sight unseen" methods you have no one to ask for advice. Then your experience is the only teacher, but, unfortunately, a poor adviser. Moral: Patronize the local dealers and get their advice on important purchases.

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Listen Fan, The Campbells Are Coming

Roy Campbell, Alma College athletic director, was in the city over the week end, and while here was spreading a few optimistic rays that did much to pierce through the dark clouds that have surrounded Alma College athletics during the past two years.

No, Campbell did not venture a prediction that a football championship, a basketball championship, a track championship or a baseball championship would be coming Alma's way this coming year. He did have a little to say in regard to some of the men who were expected to enter Alma College this fall, and it indicated that the Maroon and Cream would have some good teams during the coming college year. Campbell, who had four years of athletic experience during his college days at Alma, and who has had several years of coaching experience, is hardly rash enough to venture a claim to a championship, in view of the building up that must be done in an athletic way at the college.

His optimistic, hopeful spirit is catching, however, and few who talked with him, but what felt much better over the future of athletics at Alma College. If the men under his charge in various branches of athletics happen to catch that spirit this fall, and judging from Campbell's past record he manages to instill it, Alma will be back on the athletic map.

Campbell left Alma again the first of the week, after looking over the football equipment, and ordering new material for the approaching season. He expects to spend the week over in the Thumb and it is more than possible than an athlete or two from that portion of the state may be attracted to Alma College as a result of his trip.

Campbell expects to move with his family to Alma about September 1, and will have from then until September 13 to get ready for the first grid practice, for the great fall sport.

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The Record can do your Job Printing—Call or telephone.

NOTICE TO PUBLIC

The local department of health advises the people of the city to use caution in the consumption of local ice. Do not use it directly to cool any liquids or food used in the home; as ice tea, ice water, lemonade, etc. Its use is permissible in the ordinary refrigeration and storage of food stuffs.

In this connection the following letter sent to all hotels, restaurants, and soft drink dispensers, is self-explanatory.

Dear Sirs:

Pursuant to advice from the State Sanitary Engineer, Department of Public Health, Lansing, Michigan, all dispensers of soft drinks, hotels and restaurants in this city must immediately cease the use of ice from Pine River to direct cooling and chilling of drinks served to the public. The ice has been condemned, and cannot be sold into food or drinks of any nature, as root beer, moon-rind, lemonade, near beers, ice water, etc.

Respectfully,
DR. J. W. DUBOIS,
City Physician and Health Officer.

I. O. O. F. Lodge Installs Officers

At the regular meeting of the Alma Lodge No. 238, I. O. O. F., held Monday evening, officers recently elected were installed. The officers installed were as follows:

N. G.—Dan Dickins.
V. G.—George Schlappi.
R. S.—C. A. Carpenter.
Treasurer—C. G. Falor.
F. S.—R. J. Rogers.
R. S. N. G.—E. Wing.
L. S. N. G.—E. L. MacCumber.
W.—Roy Wiley.
V.—Robert Fredericks.
O. G.—Harry Faught.
I. G.—William Dumas.
R. S. S.—Ralph Wright.
L. S. S.—Joseph Secord.
R. S. V. G.—James Davidson.
L. S. V. G.—Bert Baldwin.
Chaplain—C. F. Renner.
P. G.—Dee Whitehead.

Gratiot Birth and Death Rate

Lansing, August 4.—Normal birth, death, and infant mortality rates prevailed in Gratiot county during the first six months of 1921, according to semi-annual compilations of the division of vital statistics of the state department of health.

Rural districts of the county reported 332 births and 130 deaths. This is equivalent to a birth rate of 28.4 and a general death rate of 11.9 per 1,000 population. Deaths of 22 children under one year of age gave rural communities an infant mortality rate of 66.3 per 1,000 living births.

With 99 births and 49 deaths reported, Alma had a birth rate of 24.9 and a general death rate of 11.9. Two infant deaths gave the city an infant mortality rate of 20.8.

St. Louis reported 31 births and 14 deaths, corresponding to a birth rate of 19.3 and general birth rate 8.7. One infant death gave St. Louis an infant mortality rate of 32.2.

"THE OLD HOMESTEAD"

Denman Thompson's "The Old Homestead," which never grows old now on its thirty-fifth annual tour comes to the Strand Theatre on Friday, Sept. 24.

Augustus Pitou, Inc., are presenting this wonderful old play, dear to the hearts of three generations, the same as when first produced at the Boston Theatre back in April 1886. Plan now to renew your acquaintance with Denman Thompson's neighbors from West Swanzey, New Hampshire, and hear again the good old songs of bye gone days, by the famous double quartette and see the old fashioned country dances in the kitchen of the homestead, that takes you back to childhood's happy days. No cleaner or more wholesome play was ever produced on the American stage.

The Tiffin cafe, which has been located in the basement of the Merchants' Building company block on State street for the past two years, has been moved from this location to the Arcade hotel, where it is now nicely located. It will continue to be conducted by Manager Alva Beals.



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